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Bay Area L.D.S.
Notes and Quotes
By Loop and Friends

If you've come this far, you're reading the newest column in The Messenger of Northern California.

And, you are invited to participate.

First, this column will alwyas include a picture and biographical sketch of one of our Bay Area Stake Presidents. Like this one of Ted Madsen.

President Ted E. Madsen has presided over the Concord Stake since it was created in June 1963. Prior to that time he served for two year as ishop of the Concord Ward, Walnut Creek Stake. Other church psitions he has held included Elder's Quorum President, Sout Master, and MIA Superintendency.

President and Sister Madsen (Lenore Cox) are both natives of Fairview, Utah. They were married in 1941 and have three children, one son and two daughters. Kenneth. who serve in the Argentine Mission, was recently married to Damaris Martindale, also of Concord. He is a senior at BYU. Daughter Norma Jean is also a senior at BYU and Carol, a senior at Mt. Diablo High School in Concord.

After graduating frm BYU, President Madsen accepted employment with the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C. where they resied for twelve years. Here he did some further study at GeorgeWashington University. With the outbreak of World Ward II their plans were somewhat altered with four years of service in the U.S. Navy. The Madsen's returned to Utah (Salt Lake Cit) in 1952 and five years later his employment brought them to the Oakland Army Base and to Concord where they have resided since 1957. His occupational specialit is in the field of transportation and traffic management.

President Madsen has an interesting heritage, being one of 48 living grandchildren of Peter and Celestia Peterson who both lived to celebrate their 100th birthdays and nearly 82 years of married life together. His grandparents were two of the first three infants born to the little company of pioneers assigned by President Brigham Young to settle the Sanpete Valley.

President Madsen enjoys various sports activities and as time permits, his present endeavor is to improve ris golf game.

With a strong testimony of the Gospel, he is happiest in the service of his Father in Heaven and the members of Concord Stake.

TWO BISHOPS PER MONTH

In addition to the stake president feature each month, we'd like wo biog sketches in two pictures each month of Bisrops from Bay Area Stake. Stake Messenger Representatives are requested to assign someone to these stories. Next month, we'll have Fremont Stake President Francis Winkel.

Stake representatives may wish to assign ward reporters to do stories on their Bishop.

Your Mesenger "Notes and Quote" columnists — Loop and friends —will select from those sent n and will rotate them so that each month will have three picture and biog stories representing three different stakes. (If you undertand what we mean, explain t to us).

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Send in local quotes or quips for this section. We'll print at least one a month.

An example—ot local—BYU President Wilkinson, speaking in Sacramento in December said: "The new cancer of thinking that government exists to guarantee our economic welfare has developed the tendency of nearly all segments of our economy to run to the government for help every time they are in need. . . in a governmental economy, we live under the delusion that public services and goods come free with the cost borne by somebody else or by that distant abstraction, the government."

GREEN & GOLD AWARD

A noteable youth program—or a noteworthy individual who has contributed to youth development—will be recognized in this section each month.

YOUTH FOR MONEY

Young people—12 - 20—who wish to serve their communities are invited to participate in the YOUTH CORNER each month.

You are invited to write 100 words on any subject you wish.

Best letter will be printed in this section each month—and ou will receive $5.00 for allowing us the privilege of vrinting your letter.

For February—a month in which we have birthdays for Abraham Lincoln and George Washington—you are invited to write on:

"How can youth of today best serve the United States of America?"

A BRAND NEW YEAR!

I love the thought of a brand new year!
Each is a rung in the ladder of Time—
Each brings a challenge I never fear
For God is guiding my upward climb.

Esther England

Rugby Team to Visit SF Stake

By Kay Makaiwi

San Francisco Stake will be host to the United States Champion Rugby team from the Church College of Hawaii as the team competes for the 1968 United States Rugby Championships to be held in San Francisco Jan. 20, 24, and 27. Coordinating the activity with Wynn Hewlett, marketing director of the Polynesian Cultural Center in Laie, Hawaii, is Bishop Wilfred K. Laeha of the Polynesian Ward.

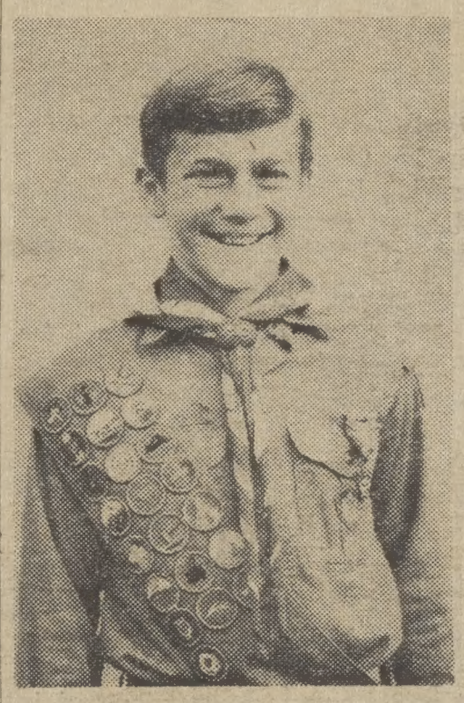
Arrival date in San Francisco will be Jan. 18. There are 21 boys making the trip: two Fijians, two Maoris, two New Zealanders, and 15 Tongans. Accompanying them will be Major Jorn Lowell, athletic director at the Church College. Major Lowell was formerly on the BYU Athletic staff and is well known in the Bay area. While in San Francisco the team will be housed by members of the stake and friends in the area.

An ebening of Polynesian entertainment, featuring the Rugby champions and supplemented by talent from the Polynesian Ward, will be held Friday, Jan. 26, 7:30 v.m. at the San Francisco Stake Center, 1399 Brunswick Avenue (end of Mission Street). All proceeds will go to the team.

Bishop Laeha commented: "It is an honor and a spectacular opportunity to entertain these boys not only because they are Polynesians, but also because they have achieved the title of best in the United States, they are the champions, and the Church has the best. It will be an honor for everyone to feel of their spirit and enthusiasm."

Mr. Hewlett said: "These boys are all heart and good enough to win again."

For more information call Bishop Laeha, 826-2740 or 863-4765, or Kay Makaiwi, 648-2567.



One In 2000

"Only one out of every 2,000 Boy Scouts make Eagle.' Those were tre words of Jack Watson, Neighborhood cofmissioner, Mt. Diablo council, Boys Scouts of America, after opening the Eagle Court of Honor for MARK JENSEN of Troop 492, Thursday night, Dec. 14, at the Concord chapel.

Mark was presented the Eagle pin by fellw Eagle, Brent Bawden, was pinned by his mother, then he in turn presented his motrer the traditional necklace.

The audience was given a short biographical synopsis of Mark's life by his mother, Mrs. Virginia Jensen, Then several humorous incidents by his father, Blayne Jensen. Sherm Blaklep, Troop 492 Scoutmaster, oonucte the evening's program recounted the Troop's activities during the last three months, and reminded the parents of the four day Camp Bray campout coming December 26.

Other speakers included Gene Beean, Troop 367 Scoutmaster, who steered Mark Through most of his Scouting program, and Gordon Woodward, committee chairman, Troop 492. The evening was concluded with Troop 492 treating the audience to refreshments.

Poetry Is Verse? Verse Than What?

We've had a long-standing, unwritten rule against publishing verse, because once you start, where do you draw the line? What erstwhile good friend do you offend with "No?" (And most of us aren't as good poets as we think.)

But some verses submitted by Esther England of Pleasant Hill Ward are to the point, short, and useful to the printer as "fillers." So if you don't mind, well depart from the rule from time to time, reserving the right to return to it with out notice.

Temple Hill Organ 'Resting' Until March 3

Organists that play our concerts at 4:00 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month on the Inter-stake pipe organ are having a holiday. Not by choice: the organ is being enlarged, including a balcony of visible pipes for greater musical effect and beauty. For a time the organ will not even be available for conferences during the change-over.

John Bullock will play the first concert after the enargement process at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, March 3.

The April concert on the Temple Hill organ will not be held on the first Sunday, but a special feature-dedicatory concert will be played by Dr. Alexander Schreiner, chief Tabernacle organist from Salt Lake City. He will play on Friday, April 12, at 8:30 p.m. Dr. Schreiner is now on a cencert tour in Europe.

Suggested donation for Dr. Schreiner's concert is $2.00. The Sunday concerts are all free, but this time your help is needed just a little. You may also make a donation of $100.00 as many others have done for the organ enlargement, or less if you wish. Send it to President O. Leslie Stone. The Inter-Stake committee has recommended that we do not have reserved seats as indicated in the December Messenger.

You are invited to help write a new monthly column in The Messenger.

We are interested in quips and quotes.

Also nominations for Green and Gold corsage. We wish to recognize someone or some project which helps young people.

Also, biographies of Bishops in the Bay Area.

The column will feature a Stake President biog and picture each month — alphabetically — starting with Concord stake this month.

There is also a youth participation corner.

You can join in this adventure in writing by sending items to The Messenger, 4536 Fieldbrook Road, Oakland California, 94619.

Wins Colonial Dames Honor

The Colonial Dames of America have awarded MARILYN JOY CRIDDLE, daughter of Bishop and Joy Criddle, their 1967-68 scolaship. The basis of this award ($250) is excellence in scholaship and ability to document ancestry in America back to 1776.

Genealogical research by Marilyn and her family provided the necessary data to document her ancesty. Marilyn found from her pedigree, that several lines went back even beyond 1776. She decumented and submitted two of her lines, one paternal and one maternal. The high degree of precision and thoroughess of reseach taught by the Church was accepted without question by the genealogically-oriented Colonial Dames.

Marilyns sholastic record is exceptional. She was graduated as valedictoian of her high school. She is on the honor program at BYU where she was granted a four-year tuition sholaship.

She was also awarded the Rotary Club scholarship when she was graduated from high school. She has just completed her freshman year at BYU were she has a 3.93 grade point average.

She has been a visiting teacher in BYU Ward and is a member of Spurs, the campus service club.

"It pays to do your Genealogical Research," says Marilyn who has received both satifaction and money to prove it.

News and Views, Vi's and Lue's

ALAMEDA WARD

By Lue Seavers & Violet Pinckney

Baptized and Confirmed 2 Dec. and 3 Dec. were Robert K. Kahuanui and his brother Danil K. Kahuanui by their grandfather Walter K. Napoeon. Ramona Juineta Carlsen, daughter of Romona Modie, by M. Robert Modie and Sara Wright Booth by Elder Richard Fred Kellar.

Kathy Baker was released as M.I.A. Secretary and Robert De Celle as Explorer Advisor. Sustained to new positions are Stan Francom as Ensign Advisor, Jerry Harris as Explorer Advisor and Robert De Celle, Co-ordinator.

Stanley and Verlene Baker and their sons Clifford 15 and Donald 9 had the joy of going thru the Temple, being sealed as a family.

Rollin and Lillian Podwys are enjoying their new daughter, Natalie Ann Marie, born 17 Nov. She was welcomed home by her brother Perry.

Judy Eliason Maclean and infant son, Matthew enjoyed a week with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Eliason.

Pvt. Eugene Carlsen of Ft. Gorman, Georgia, son of Romona Modie spent his holiday furlough with his Mother.

Bishop Munns Mother from Idaho is visiting with he and his family Verl Cooper went to Pocatello, Idaho to attend funeral services for his Father who passed away 6 Dec. We extend our sympathy to Verl and his family.

Lynn Garner 23, of Nampa, Idaoo, brother of Alice Goold our Ward Chorister was recently discharged from the Army and is now living with Alice. She and her young son, Forrest have returned from a trip to Nampa visiting with her parents and former friends.

Sister Eveyn Strube, local artist recently had a six paintings in oil on exhibit in the Art Gallery of the Alameda Sree Library .Evelyn is Art Chairman for Edison P.T.A., field trip Chairman for the Alameda Art Ass'n. and demonstrates "Art in Action" at many Art and Hobby Shows. She has been invited to exhibit at the Interstake Talent and Hobby Show next April. She is the Mother of six children all active in Church.

Sister Marina Harrison received a 5:00 A.M. phone call in Dec. from New York, her nephew Luiz Rocha of Rio Sina, Brazil, whom zshe hadn'nt seen in 8 years when she visited Rio Sina last. He flew here having a twenty-four hour stay in San Francisco before leaving for business in Tokio. The Harrison's took him on a sight-seeing trip of S.F. and the East Bay. Young Rocha was impressed with the Temple and the Bay Area lit up at nite.

From Germany we hear from Robyn Burke Geantil, that she and her husband Tom have enrolled at the Goeth Institute in Prien, Germany where they are living with a German family. Another former Ward member in a Foreign country is Rebecca Sue Tolman who is a Red Cross volunteer at the U.S. Air Force Hospital in Tachikawa, Japan. She lives in Japan with her parents, Don and June Radabaugh Tolman, where Don is employed by the U.S. Gov't.

Lucille Crandall Buchan and her Mother, Mrs. Leo Crandall, Oakland 3rd. had a vacation in Hawaii.

Sue Dunford, a new-comer to the Ward is responsible for the attractive printed programs for Sun. School and Sacrament Services.

Proud grandparents are Lue Seavers (your reporter) and her husband Hank Seavers with the birth of their eleventh grandchild on 28-Nov. Dean McKay, the sixth child of Wallace and Nyle Seavers in Fremont, where Wallace serves in the Bishopric.

ALAMEDA 2d WARD

On Sat. 9th. Dec. an "EVENING of MUSIC" was presented by the family of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Slangerup a tthe Masonic Temple in Alameda. Signe Slangerup Hale (an accomplished musician) of Alpine, Utah rendered several Concert numbers on the Violin, accompanied by Dorinda Hea n Nyland on the Piano. Gail Slangerup Rawle of Salt Lake City and Artha Slangerup sang several Christmas numbers and Lisa did a ballet dance, "The Impish Fairy" and Claire the youngest, did a Christmas Pixie dance. Signe and Gail are both graduates of B.Y.U. and Artha is currestly attending and is now home for the Holidays. An early summer Wedding is planned for Artha whose engagement to Stephen Whitman Jackson was recently revealed at a family gathering by Artha's grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur C. Biley in their Carmel Valley home. Stephen fulfilled a two-year Mission to the South British Mission and is presently at the "Y" and is also in Alameda for the Holidays, he has been on the sick-list since roming home. His father, Prentiss Jackson formerly of Alameda and iow of Twain Harte camt for the above Concert.

WEDDING BELLS rang out for Kathleen Faith Triplett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Edmond Fabela on Sat. 9th. at 1 P.M. when she was united in Marriage to Mr. William Dean Curtis, with Bishop Fredreich Reiche officiating. A Reception followed in the Cultural Hall.

Terry Miner was among the 100 teen members of the young Peoples Symphony who was featured in a Sunday Concert at the Berkeley Comm. Center.

Dennis Hutchinson was home from Ricks College for the Holidays as was Brenda Judd from B.R.U.

Dr. John Berghout, our Gospel Doctrine Class teacher, combined a pleasure trip with business for the Holidays, visiting relatives in the Netherlands spendisg Christmas in Rotterdam, two days each in Paris and London and other parts of Europe and attending a Symposium of several days for Radiologists in the Alps in Vienna.

BLESSED: the Thatcher Twins, Tulia Ann and Sydney Christen by Joseph Quayle.

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"The larger the island of knowledge, the longer the shoreline of wonder."

We live by what is called the "capitalist ethic." This is the ethic of Equal Exchange. By this ethic we mean that if a man pays more than the value he receives, he has been "cheated." If the pays less than the value receives he has received a "good deal."

In our society a man's whole existence depends on what he sells on the marketplace; his personality, his goods, his skills. His life is tied to the ethic of Equal Exchange.

Without his knowing it, this ethic stretches deeply into his subconcious, such that his entire value system becomes thoroughly indoctrinated in Equal Exchange. He is brainwashed so that he hoards everything about himself; his time, his love, his thought, his courtesey, and yarcels it out only in situations where an equal return is anticipated. To love someone more tran he loves us is not an "Equal Exchange" and we feel cheated.

The man who is driving down a stdeet and sees a parked car with the lights still on will drive right on past, remarkisg to his passenger "poor guy left his lights on.' But to pull over and walk back and turn his lights out would be considered absrud. "He never should have left his lights on in the first place."

But the Ethic of Equal Exchange is not the Ethic of Jesus Christ. Christ said "And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let hm have thy cloak also."

"And if we salute your brethern only, what do ye more than others? Do not even the publicans so?"

Where is the man who can live the ethic of Jesus Christ?

It is easy to become a spiritual miser .But the man who would preserve his inner soul in a marketplace society must practice sacrificing his time, love, personality and even things to people from whom he demands no return; famiLy, friends, and strangers.

And for the greater man, his enemies.

CHRISTMASY YOURS

Dear Ones:

Oh the merry, merry time of Christmas!
The cards are coming in and going out.
My skipping heart is totally resistless
To special written messages that rout
The thought that busy loved ones are forgetting—
As to friends that now have traveled far,
Every dear remembering is setting
A joy as sparkling as the Yuletide star.
Thss is the time for kindly, gracious gifting
With sentiments of "Hi" and "Goodly cheer"
Lifting each out of our thoughtless drifting—
A chance to prove we really are sincere.

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Pittsburg Ward

By Boots Barrus and Thora Astle

Honols came to D. Rees Magleby during the recent Pacifica High School Fall Sports Award banquet. D. Rees,, son of Bro. and Sis. Burns Magleby, received the MVP trophy for the Most Valuable Player in Varsity football and was also selected as the Outstanding Back. A trophy for Prep of the Week was also awarded.

Lauded as an outstanding athlete, he has been honored many times in the Sports Sections of the local papers during the past football season.

His plans are to continue football playing and tentative plans are to attend the B.Y.U. to further his schooling. He is an Eagle Scout of the Pittsburg Ward, holds the Duty to God Award and has completed all Priesthood Award requirements. Along witr these recent honors, he also represented Pacifica High at Boys State this past year and along with his brother, Stanford, was selected to attend the All-Church Explorer Conference at the B.Y.U. A member of the High School adrigals, he is currently Senior Class President and Letterman Club President.

The Ward is proud to D. Rees and his leadership qualities as a L.D.S. Youth and extends congratulations for his outstanding achievements in both school and Church activities.

CHAMPIONS AGAIN! The girls of the Pittsburg Ward are again Concord Stake Basketball Champions and will play in the Regional Tournament in Oakland in January.

Winning honors for the ward were Kathy and Elaine Dutton, Luann Cooks, Liz Riccabuona, Karen Morrison, Vicki Cooks, Lynda Maynard, Tina Buccellato, Carla Dortzbach and Joanne Campbell. Bobbie Neves, as Sports Diretor, led the girls to victory with the assistance of Janice Ricks and Activity Counselor Maxine Buccellato.

Congratulations girls! The ward is very proud of your accomplisrments and great sportsmanship. We hope that in Jancary you will be just as successful.

Officers and teachers of the Primary Association recently held a Pre-Crristmas party in the Cultural Hall of the Pittsburg Ward. Dinner was served to the members and invite guests, followed by games and a program in the Relief Society Room. The tables were decorated with gala holiday motifs and original place cards were placed on the tables in specia seating arrangements. Performing on the program were Vera Campbell and Viola Davidson, wro sang a duet, followed by a special Christmas story by Boots Barrus. Mr. Henry Muceus led the group in Christmas carols, accompanied by Sister Laura Muceus. Rhoda Magleby Primary President read a special Christmas message an presented this message to each present in the form of a ribbon tied scroll. Home-made candy was given to the hubands as a spial tribute from the Primary Presidency and wives in appreciation of their support.

Those present for this festive occasion were Brother and Sister Burns Magleby, Brother and Sister Glen Morrison, Brother and Sister Dennis Meham, Sis. Vivian Morrison, ro. and Sis. Russell Gilliam, Sis. Naoma uchay, Bro. and Sis. Foyd Davidson, Bro. and Sis. Clyde Rist, Bro. an Sis. James Campbell, ro. an Sis. Dan Harris, Sis. Bessie Riccabuano, Bishop and Sis. Grant Cornelius, Bro. and Sis. Charlie Peters, Sis. Boots Barrus, and Bro. and Sis. Henr Muceus.

Renewing the custom of holding a Harvest all, the Mutual Marrieds, under the direction of Sis. Ceciela Meram, sponsored this event in late November and invited all Ward members to enjoy this festive occasion. The Harvest oon theme wa casion. The Harvest oon theme wa arried out with autumn leaves and olorful streams with a background moon and shadowed tree as the focal point of interest. Dancing to the old favorite tunes, tre many oples danced until 11 p.m: when refreshments were served before the guests departed. Congratulations to the Committees who worked so hard on he deorations, music and refreshments in making this an out-Ward.

A holiday highlight was the announcement of the engagement of Larry Peters, son of Brother and Sister Charlie Peters, to Sister Nancy Mason, of Pleasant Hill. Nancy is a recent convert to the church and was baptized by Larry in ate October. Plans are indefinite as to setting the marriage date. Our best wishes and congratulations to this young couple.

December 16th was the date for the annual Pittsburg Mutual Marrieds Christmas Dinner. This year the event was given added flavor by making it a progressive dinner. Hosts and Hostesses were:—Bro. and Sis. Charlie Peters — oer d'ouvre; Bro. and Sis. Grant Conelius—Salad Bo. an Sis. Dale Bennett — entee; and o. and Sis. LaFarr P. Aste—dessert. After dinner was served the evening yas concluded with ommunit singing. Other couples attening were Keith and Vera Sawyer, Irel and oots Barrus, Ceciel and Viginia Epling, Stanley and Majoie Lunt, Bo. and Sis. Wayne Walton, Richard and Barbara Hollingsheah, Denni san Ceciela Mecham, Burns and Rhoda Magleby, Floyd and Viola Davidson, Frank and Tru Fountain, Clyde and Annette Harris, and Lowell and Deanna Buge. Other guests were the father and mother of Bro. Lowell Budge and Larry Peters and Nancy Mason.

Our warmest congratulations go to Bro. an Sis. Glen Payne and Bro. and Sis. Keith Sawer. who received their temyle endownments were seal-in the Oakland Temple on December 16. 1967. hese two couples, who are recent converts to the church, have quikly beome stalwarts of the church an are a real asset to the Pittsburg Ward. Attending he temve rites with them were Bro. and Sis. Granl Cornelius, Bro. and Sis. Floyd Davison, Bro. an Sis. Ceiel Elping, Bro. an Sis. Robert Kersey, Bro. and Sis. urns Magleby, Bro. and Sis. Frank Fountain, ro. and Sis. Dale Bennett, Bro. and Sis. Don Sovereign, Sis. Alta Magleby, ro. Reid Peterson, Sis. Ann Harris, Sis. Naoma Mulcahy, and Sis. Keller. Following the temple session 17 of the group had lunch in the temple cafeteria.

Home for the Holidays from Brigham Young University are Joan Magleby, Brenda ood, an Larry Peters, also Dianee Astle, who is interning at Valley Hospital, Provo.

Recently release from the Army, after spending a ear in Vietnam, is Bro. John Kersey, son of Bro. and Sis. Robert Kersey. John is at the present time resiing with his parents.

ADDRESS CHANGE

The Messenger of Northern California business office has a new address. It is

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WARD CLERKS are requested to supply current ward directories and directory changes.

Advertising and business communications also should go to this address.

George P. Wiseman

By Marguerite Belz

The many friends of Brother George Pollack Wiseman were saddened by his death Nov. 21.

Brother Wiseman was born in Oldham, England, April 10, 1888, to Annie and Jesse Wiseman. In 1909 he came to Salt Lake City where he met Ada Watson, also newly arrived from England. They were married in the Salt Lake Temple October 26, 1911, and became the parents of four sons, Harold, Roy, David and Irvin and two daughters, Dorothy and Irene.

To help finance his education, Brother Wiseman worked at many jobs, one of which was as a baker in Murray,Utah. After earning the title of doctor of Chiropody, he opened his practice in Logan, Utah, and 6 years later expanded it to Provo.

Brother and Sister Wiseman contributed much to the music in the areas where they resided singing duets in churches, civic functions and in every Temple in Utah.

After 39 years in Utah, the Wisemans retired in California where several of their children resided. They firs tsettled in Hayward and later in Castro Valley. After his retirement, Brother Wiseman found time to practice singing which he loved and enjoy the hobby of baking which had once been a part of his labors. He gave generously of his time and became a home missionary. The title of high priest was one he dearly treasured. He also became quite a toymaker, to the delight of his 28 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

Brother Wiseman was one of the most loved members of the Castro Valley 2d Ward.

Letters To THE EDITOR

Editor:

I am complaining about the great number of mislspelled words appearing in The Messenger. There are so many that some paragraphs lose their meaning. This makes reading difficult and as a result discourages reading. This type of thing promotes a bad image. Apparently these mistakes are made by the type-setters or some place in the process of printing.

Cannot something be done to improve this condition?

Druzella M. Stout
1046 Talbot Avenue
Albany, California

We hope the type-setters READ this while setting the type.——Ed.

Please send The Messenger to my new address . .: . .

I have translated our Hymnbook (300 hymns) into Swedish. They are now busy with the printing of it, says President Reid H. Johnson of the Swedish Mission. I'm now doing Joseph Fielding Smith's "Doctrines of Salvation" . . . .

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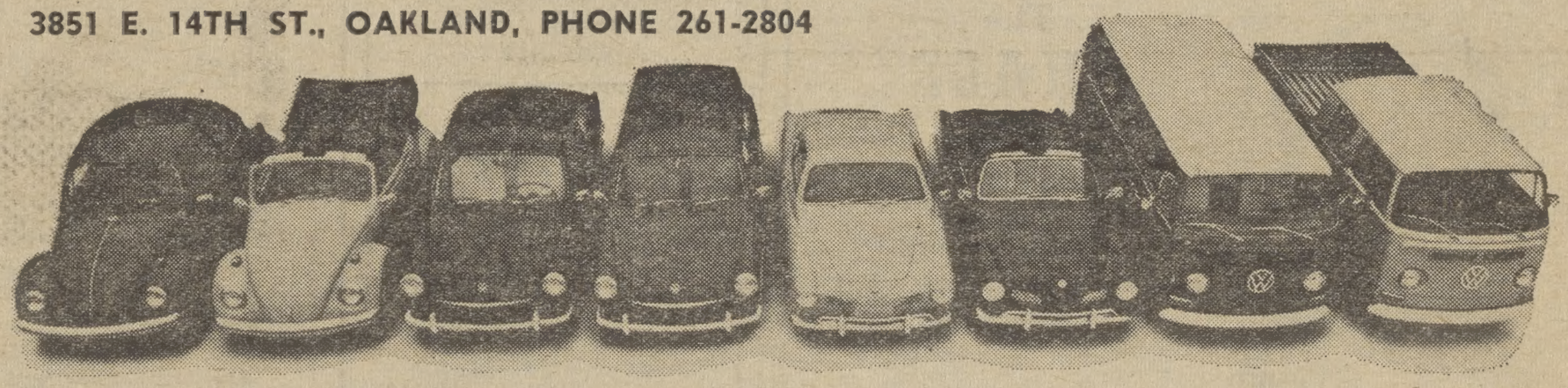

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Danville Ward

By Elizabeth O'Nion

The beginning of the Christmas Season was felt in the Ward Dec. 17th, when the thirty-five voice choir presented Christmas In Song, as their gift to the Ward.

The program was a mixture of anthems, traditional carols and solos that extend the meaning of the story of Chrismas, as it was narrated from the Bible—combined with harp organ chimes and piano.

Many heartfelt thanks to Barbara Williams, the choir director.

Larry Weisr, one of our returned missionaries of one year, left for Vietnam Dec. 18th for a year's duty. He will be stationed near Saigon.

Jeff Kimball. son of Bishop and Gloria Kimball, who returned from his Australian mission in Sept. just in time to register at B.Y.U., spoke in Sacrament Meeting Dec. 31st.

Ron Monk King has left for a mission in Italy. It's interesting to note that the Italian Mission was opened many, many years ago and closed. It just recently was reopened. Ron is one of the first missionaries to be sent—which should make it a very challenging mission for him.

Betrothal Announced

President and Mrs. D. Ross McClellan of Hayward Stake announced the engagement of their daughter, SHARLENE, to M. Brent Gardner, of San Jose.

Sharlene is a graduate of Hayward High School and Brigham Young University and lives in Palo Alto where she eaches fifth grade. Brent is the son of Bishop and Mr. Murray S. Gardner of San Jose 4th Wad and is a graduate of Blackfo High school. He is a senior at San Jose State and plans to enter law school in the fall.

Brent and Sharlene became acquainted throgh their Church activities and plan to be married in the Oakland Temple next spring.

Sharlene has served as MIA president in the Stanford Ward and as vice-president on the Palo Alto Stake M-Men and Gleanor council. Brent served a mission to Berlin and is now vice-president of the L.D.S. tuent association council of the Sa Jose Stakes.

Sharlene has two brothers and two sisters, Her twin, Sheldon, is a student of city planning since returning from his mission to Peru, and Norman is in Argentina on a mission fo the Church. Her sisters are Norene Green of Fremont and Delna Beecroft of Newark. Brent has a brother in the Spanish American Mission in Texas and a sister Wendy attending school in San Jose.

Mission Ward

By Leonard W. Cryer

On Feb. 14, the first anniversary of the combined Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.W.M.I.A. now in operation at the meetinghouse at 3715 - 26th Street, San Francisco, will be observed.

Each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., the 12 through 90 years young members of the Mission and Polynesian Wards, and Spanish-American Branch, participate in programs and activities.

Before Feb. 14, 1967, the mutuals met on different nights. By all meeting on Tuesday night, members are able to participate in San Francisco Stake activities, such as Wednesday Oakland Temple excursions, and the Thursday night Family Home Evesing.

The first meetig of the combined Mutuals was held on Valentine Day.

Actually, the 14-through-17 year old members prepared the way for the combination of their MIAs, when they met for their first Seminary lesson, in September, 1966. Instead of having three separate groups, there was a combined Seminary for these young adults, divided into a Junior and Senior division. The combined Seminary has continued in 1967.

When the three mutuals were combined Polynesian Ward was designated as the agent ward, with Bishop W. Laeha presiding.

Leaders of the combined mutuals were Archie Makaiwi of Polynesian uard Y.M.M.I.A. superintendeit, and Billie Grandy, wife of Spanish-American Branch president Reed Grandy, as Y.W.M.I.A. president.

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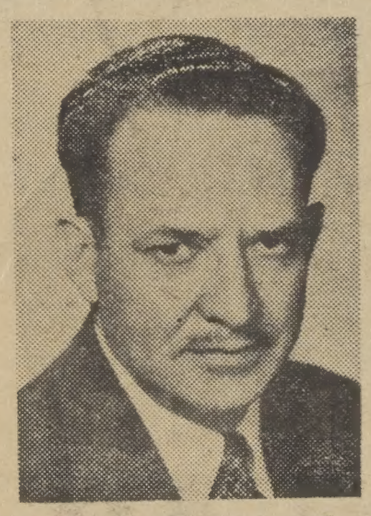
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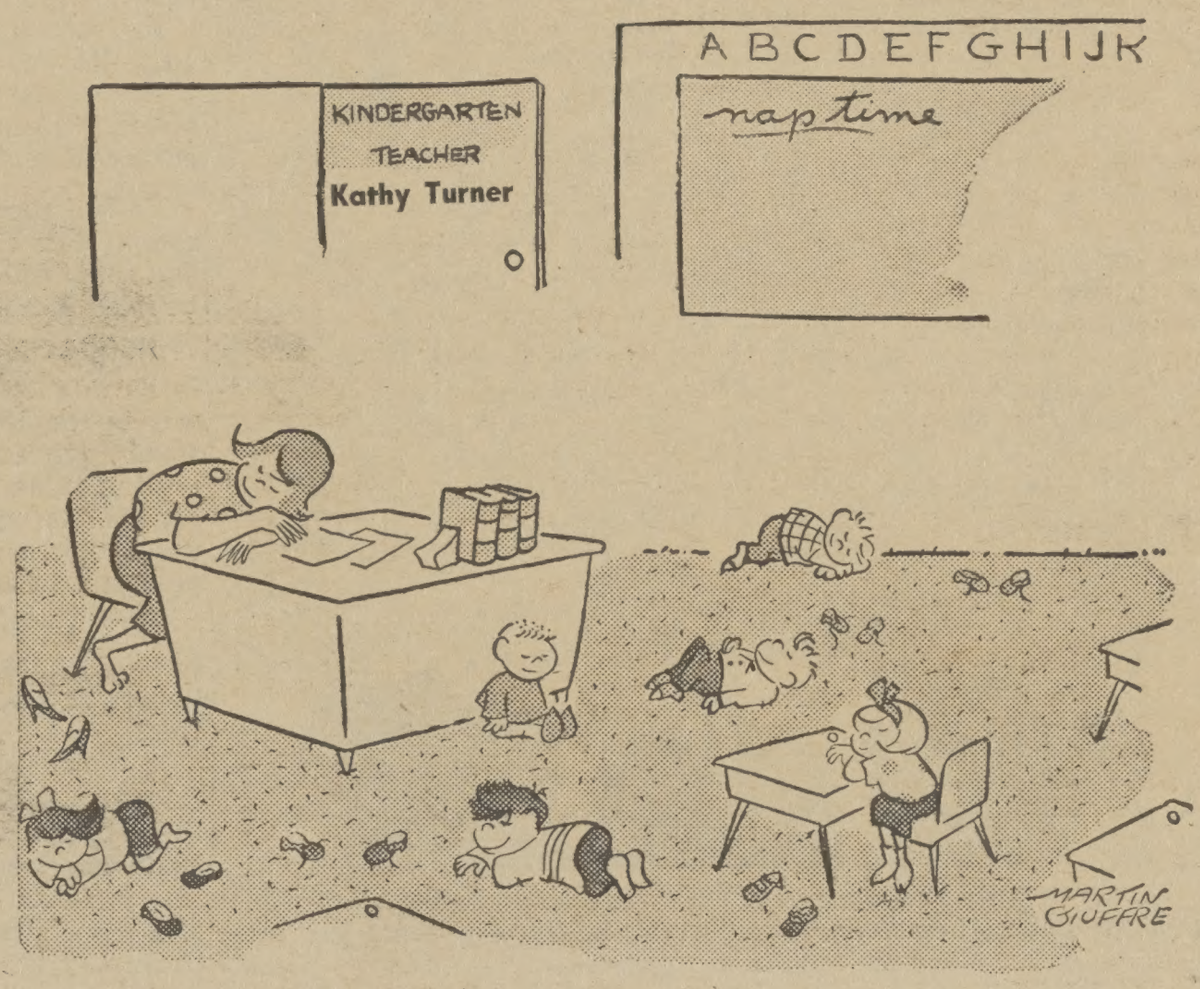

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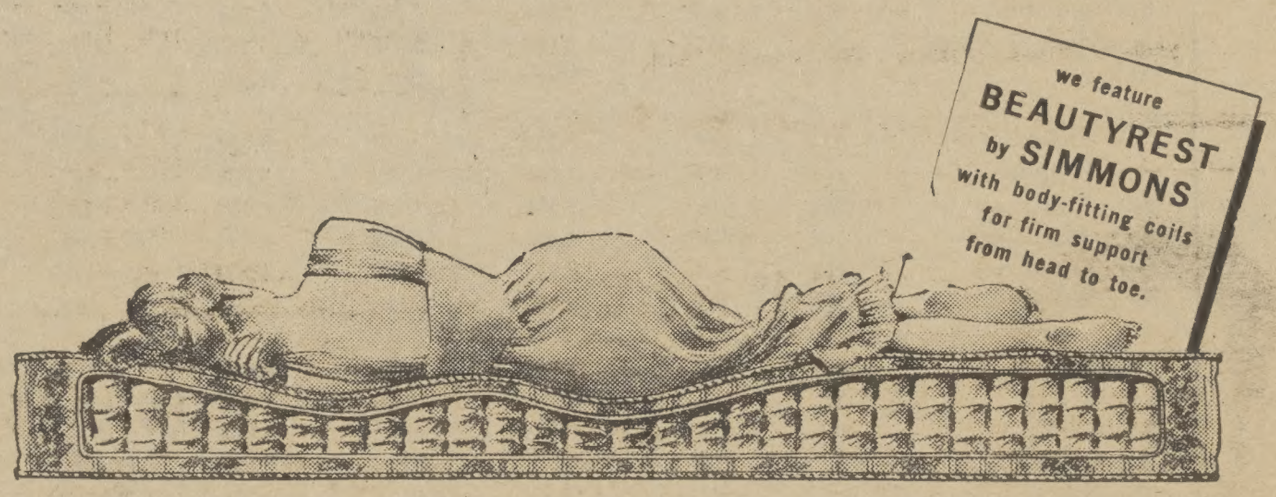

Lauper's HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The temple presidency comprises President Delbert F. Wright, (left) Robert Lee Kenner, and (right) B. Herman Schettler. They have served since the temple was opened.

THE TEMPLE PRESIDENCY

DELBERT F. WRIGHT was born December 29, 1901 in Ogden, Utah to Joseph K. and Ellen Bingham Wright. He was educated in the local schools, later attending Weber Normal College, Utah State College, University of California and Harvard University.

He started to work for Sperry Flour Company at Ogden in 1923. He was transferred to San Francisco in 1926 and remained with the firm, which in 1930 was merged with General Mills, his entire working career, retiring in 1964. At that time he was director and senior vice-president.

He had successively served as chief accountant, office manager, comptroller of the Western Division, assistant to the president, and comptroller of General Mills International. From 1956 to 1963 he lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Brother Wright's first calling in the San Francisco stake was in its infancy in 1927. He was on the MIA stake board. Then he was in the Elmhurst ward bishopric until 1933, on the Oakland stake High Council until 1942, in the Oakland stake presidency until 1949 and stake president until 1956 when he left for Minneapolis. He organized the first stake there and was its president until he returned to Oakland in 1963. He was called to be temple president in January 1964.

He and Gertrude Lyon Patton of Idaho Falls, Idaho were married in 1921 in the Salt Lake Temple. They have three children: Robert T., Danville; L. Patton, Denver; and Louanne Finch, Danville.

ROBERT LEE KENNER was born March 26, 1899 in Manti, Utah, to Lee and Kate Brown Kenner. Following his education in Manti he earned a BA and MA in Education at Utah State College in Logan and University of Southern California at Los Angeles respectively. He also studied in the graduate school at the University of California at Berkeley. He attended BYU summer sessions for at least 20 years, he says, and has amassed more than 400 units of credit!

After fulfilling a mission in England where his Mission president was David O. McKay, and serving as president of the Scottish Conference in Edinbergh, he joined the church school system as a teacher at Snow College in Ephraim, Utah. He made this his career, retiring as director of the LDS Institute of Religion at the University of California in Berkeley In 1964 after 36 years of service. Meanwhile he had been Institute director at UCLA, University of Arizona and Arizona State College.

Scholastics were always his interest. He was valedictorian of his high school graduating class and president of the student body. He was president of his junior class at Utah State. At USC he joined Phi Delta Kappa, the educational fraternity. In June 1959 he was awarded membership in the "Religious Heritage" program in Washington D.C., for his outstanding career in religious education.

He and Kirma Parkinson of Logan, Utah were married in the Salt Lake Temple in 1928. They have five children: Katherine Gardner, Salt Lake City; Lee, Sacramento; Peter, Davis; Mary, Salt Lake City and Kay, student at BYU.

BERNHARD HERMAN SCHETTLER was born October 19, 1898 in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Cornelius D. and Florence Adler Schettler. He attended West High School, LDS Business College and Stanford University. As a young man he worked for the Oregon Shortline Railroad (OSL) in Utah, Idaho and Oregon. He became a civilian officer for the U.S. Corps of Engineers in Utah during World War II. He was transferred to San Francisco in 1943 and he stayed with the Corps until the war ended. Then he became Purchaser of Supplies for the city of San Francisco until retirement in 1963. Until 1962, when he and sister Schettler moved to Oakland, they belonged to the Balboa Ward (formerly Sunset).

Sister Bessie Jones Schettler has been a life-long public school English teacher and administrator. She instructed at LDS University High school and University of Utah in Salt Lake City and Junior and senior high schools in San Francisco. She was assistant principal of James Denham Junior High school when she retired. She was appointed aide to Oakland Temple Matron Annetta Wood in 1966.

Her father, Charles R. Jones, was president of the Mesa, Arizona temple from 1935 to 1940. Her mother was a matron at both the Mesa and Salt Lake temples.

TEMPLE RECORDER: DON C. WOOD

Brother Wood, who was set apart as Recorder August 1964 by Elder ElRay L. Christiansen, assistant to the Council of Twelve, by authority of the First Presidency, was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1896. His parents were William Jr. and Ellen Goddard Wood. He attended Salt Lake schools, earned a BS in Science at University of Utah, and a C.L.U. from the American College of Life Underwriters.

He installed the meat department in the ZCMIA department store in Salt Lake City and managed it for nine years, then engaged in the health food business until he came to California in 1934. He worked for the Federal Land Bank in Berkeley for three years and then became an agent for the Beneficial Life Insurance Company, which has been his career for the past 25 years.

His wife, Annetta, currently Temple Matron, was a school teacher when they were married. But never since. She has been active in Primary for 40 years, holding all offices on the ward and stake levels. She was California Mother of the Year in 1966.

Brother and sister Wood have five children and 23 grandchildren. The children are: Don C. Jr., Long Beach; Marjorie Remington, Alameda; Vincent Alma, Concord; David L., Long Beach and Calvin D., Livermore.

OAKLAND TEMPLE
TOTAL ENDOWMENTS (BY STAKES) NOVEMBER 1967

STAKE	1967 Nov.	Nov. Goal	9½ Mos. This Yr.	9½ Mos. Last Yr.	95% of Annual Goal	Over or Under Last Yr.	Over or Under Goal
American River	239	563	2,100	3,362	5,348	—1262	—3,248
Cascade	2	164	39	52	1,558	—13	—1,519
Columbia River	2	283	151	104	2,688	+47	—2,637
Columbia River North	0	146	208	164	1,387	+44	—1,179
Concord	402	549	3,131	2,916	5,216	+215	—2,085
Corvallis	0	114	33	24	1,083	+09	—1,050
Fair Oaks	142	455	1,542	—	3,613	—	—2,071
Fremont	217	363	2,333	—	3,544	—	—1,211
Fresno	295	210	1,875	1,577	1,995	+298	—120
Fresno East	178	207	1,939	2,262	1,967	—323	—28
Gridley	304	450	2,718	3,065	4,275	—347	—1,557
Hayward	364	400	2,874	3,234	3,800	—360	—926
Klamath	201	95	804	1,040	903	—236	—99
Medford	418	175	1,887	1,481	1,664	+406	+223
Modesto	199	256	1,367	1,196	2,432	+171	—1,065
Monterey Bay	88	304	1,002	887	2,888	+115	—1,886
Napa	287	443	3,105	2,786	4,209	+319	—1,104
Oakland-Berkeley	899	975	8,556	8,009	9,263	+547	—707
Olympia	6	150	9	—	—	—	—366
Palo Alto	447	935	3,803	3,337	8,883	+466	—5,080
Portland	3	271	145	164	2,574	—19	—2,429
Portland West	5	291	132	79	2,764	+53	—2,632
Puget Sound	0	150	100	125	2,475	+25	—2,375
Redding	105	143	619	482	1,359	+137	—740
Redwood	212	102	619	612	969	+7	—350
Reno	187	225	367	452	2,137	—85	—1,770
Reno North	93	241	655	567	2,289	+88	—1,634
Sacramento	570	808	4,996	4,067	7,676	+929	—2,680
Sacramento North	349	557	3,096	3,489	5,292	—393	—2,196
Salem	8	167	180	189	1,587	—9	—1,407
San Francisco	423	616	3,124	3,951	5,852	—827	—2,728
San Joaquin	202	404	1,809	1,972	3,838	—163	—2,029
San Jose	382	680	3,574	3,561	6,460	+13	—2,886
San Jose West	563	678	3,115	2,527	6,441	+588	—3,326
San Leandro	411	480	3,337	2,150	4,560	+1187	—1,223
San Mateo	896	725	6,515	3,408	6,888	+3107	—373
Santa Rosa	259	632	2,330	2,184	6,004	—146	—3,674
Seattle	5	355	89	141	3,373	—52	—3,284
Seattle East	0	219	26	33	2,080	—7	—2,054
Seattle North	1	306	78	90	2,907	—12	—2,829
Tacoma	2	284	37	40	2,698	—3	—2,661
Walnut Creek	670	565	5,219	4,391	5,367	+838	—148
Willamette	7	266	218	325	2,527	—107	—2,394
Miscellaneous	441		6,894	7,540		—646	
TOTALS	10,484		86,750	78,035	154,843		

A TOTAL OF 5,768 ENDOWMENTS WERE PERFORMED IN DECEMBER, TO BRING YEAR'S GRAND TOTAL TO 92,518.

DON C. WOOD
Recorder

"Temple Work Test Of Devotion"-Wright

By Glen Wright
Associate Editor

"A temple in the bay area was the dream of west coast Latter-Day Saints for 40 years," declares Oakland Temple president Elder Delbert Wright. "That dream has been fulfilled, but what about its accompanying dream—use of the facility to its capacity? Fulfilment of this expectation, which has not yet happened, is the test which will measure the devotion, worthiness and integrity of the membership.

The Oakland Temple dream really dates to 1924, when Apostle George Albert Smith remarked to W. Aird Macdonald, first president of the San Francisco stake, while looking eastward from his San Francisco hotel room, that he could envision a temple one day dominating the bay area from the Oakland Hills.

About two weeks after Pearl Harbor in 1941, the present temple site was brought to the attention of the Oakland stake presidency as being ideal by realtor and LDS member A. B. Graham. Convinced it was the right spot and that the price was equitable, Stake President Eugene Hilton and his counselors W. Glenn Harmon and Delbert Wright, wrote a recommendation letter to the First Presidency. David O. McKay, who was then first Councilor in the First Presidency, arrived in the bay area and Elder Harmon drove him to the lot on the point of the mountain. He liked it and its purchase was approved early in 1942. Elder Harmon's law firm handled the purchase.

The Interstake Center was completed and dedicated in September 1960. The temple district was organized in 1961 and temple construction began May 26, 1962. It was completed and dedicated November 17, 1964. It was visited by 374,000 people during its four week "open house", and was opened for ordinance work January 5, 1965. At that time its district contained 19 stakes with 92,000 members. It now contains 43 stakes.

THE RECORD

Living Endowments
1967 — 1791
1966 — 1093
1965 — 2376
Oakland third among all temples. S.L. 1st; L.A. 2nd

Proxy Endowments
1967 — 84,959
1966 — 76,658
1965 — 72,900

Sealings

Proxy
1967 — 30,669
1966 — 26,098
1965 — 14,230

Living
1967 — 8,324
1966 — 6,669
1965 — 4,271

Baptisms
1967 — 86,257
(Will average out with sealings in time)

UNIQUE METHODS

Oakland temple is unique among LDS temples in the way sessions are conducted. A new concept of endowment method, coupled with a "continuous flow" technique, doubles its usual capacity. There are two ordinance rooms, in each of which the ceremonies are consolidated. The Celestial room is common to both. It is possible to start sessions at intervals of one and one half hours.

Scheduling is flexible. At present four sessions a day is the average. This can easily be expanded to twelve. Often recently six and seven sessions have gone through on Saturdays. For example, 1019 endowments were accomplished Saturday, November 11, 1967. The largest number of patrons on any one day went through November 11, 1965: 1,080.

The temple is geared to do upwards of 20,000 endowments a month. At present it is now being utilized for fewer than half that number. However, sealings and proxy endowments steadily increase. (See inset).

The Oakland Temple district embraces 43 stakes in northern California, Oregon, Washington and Nevada. The only one that surpassed its goal last year was Medford, Oregon. However, while slightly less than half the combined goal was accomplished, the total was some 9 percent more than the previous year. (See statistical chart).

STAFF OF 266

The work involved in maintaining the temple anl handling the details of last year's 86,750 endowments kept a staff of 256 ordinance volunteers busy. These brothers and sisters, who donate their time and talents, each serve a minimum of two days a week. They work seven hour shifts, and at present two shifts a day are programed, one morning and one afternoon-evening. Each shift requires from 40 to 50 workers.

All volunteers are "set-apart" for Oakland temple only. This rule prevails throughout the church. If and when a worker transfers to another area, he must be set apart again to work in a temple there. Volunteers are set apart by the temple Presidency, which is set apart by the First Presidency of the church, as is the Matron. Her aides are set apart by the temple Presidency.

Matron Annetta V. Wood was set apart by Apostle Joseph Fielding Smith in November 1966. Her two aides are Bessie Schettler and Violet Wadsworth.

Sister Wood's predecessor, who had served since the temple opening, was Gertrude Wright, wife of President Wright. She has been set apart by President David O. McKay after he set apart her husband. Her aides were Bessie Schettler and Annetta V. Wood.

Functions of the Matrons are to look after the women in the temple, both workers and patrons; supervise and direct ordinance work; be of service to brides and their parties; and choose, train and direct receptionists.

The only others besides the temple presidency and Matron who are set apart by the First Presidency of the Church are the Sealers, whose special calling is to perform marriages and sealings. They are: Elders Steven H. Winter, Eugene Hilton, W. Glenn Harmon and R. O. Phelps. Sealing supervisor is volunteer worker Luke M. Robinson.

A small number of workers are paid modest salaries. These are: Brother Morvell Day and his crew of twelve building engineering and maintenance men; temple recorder Don C. Wood and his staff of four typists and statistical clerks who work one shift a day and are assisted by 20 volunteers who work two shifts; Director Evelyn Phelps and staff of eight who operate the cafeteria; and sister Ellen Haddock and her group of 14 who operate the linen and laundry department two shifts a day.

COORDINATED GARDENING

The grounds are also maintained by a paid crew. The gardners work under the direction of a committee composed of temple president Wright, Oakland-Berkeley stake president Elmo Smith and Northern California mission president Lyle Peterson, because the Temple, Interstake Center and Mission Home are on what is considerel a single piece of property and the landscaping and upkeep are therefore coordinated.

One of the special features of ordinance work is baptism, usually done by youth aged 12 to 20, so this has a supervisor, brother M. Elmo Carr, assisted by his wife, Ellen. They arrange schedules for the 43 stakes.

Also part of the paid staff are the recommend desk clerks James L. Muir and John M. Sellers. It is their duty to see that only those members with recommends signed by their bishops and their stake president may enter the temple proper.

President Wright says that many staff members accept only a minimum amount of their salaries. Those receiving retirement income take only enough to augment this to an amount sufficient for a reasonably comfortable living. Others whose retirement income or private means is enough, take no salary at all.

FOR LIVING—NOT DEAD

"Every person who comes into this temple gets a blessing of spirituality," President Wright declares. "Doing temple work makes men and women better. Temple work is for the living—not the dead. That phrase you hear all the time 'doing work for the dead' is incorrect in the context of what we are doing here. In this sense there are no dead. Those who have departed this life have gone on to another phase of continuing and eternal existence.

"So the living here and the living there are benefited by the rich blessing that comes from the vicarious work done in this beautiful and comfortable temple. It is a pity that only a small percentage of our members are receiving this blessing. Can you imagine how the living "there" feel about being deprived by the living here of the opportunity to advance as fast as they desire?"

TEMPLE TOURS

Tours of the Temple are conducted Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday afternoons from 1 to 5.

The Interstake Center adjoins the temple. The guided tour includes this facility, colored slides of the interior of the temple and original paintings depicting the life of Jesus Christ.

Volunteer members from several stakes serve as guides without pay. There is no charge for the tour nor for admission to the grounds.

Some of the guides speak Spanish, German or French. Advance notice assures non-English speaking visitors of a suitable guide.

1968 CALENDAR
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BAPTISMS: By Stake Appointment.

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ENDOWMENTS: Tuesday thru Friday
Sessions: 8:00, 8:30, 10:15 a.m., 4:45 and 7:00 p.m.
Sessions Saturdays: 6:00 a.m. (Priesthood) 7:00, 7:45 and 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 Noon.
(Names issued for 30 minutes following above hours.)

LIVING ENDOWMENTS, MARRIAGES AND SEALINGS:
8:30 a.m. Session **only** Tuesday thru Friday,
7:45 a.m. Session **only** Saturdays.
7:00 p.m. Session **only** second Tues. each month.
(Those for Own Endowments and Marriages should be at the Temple one hour before times listed above.)

CALENDAR:
Opens: January 2, 1968.
Closes for Conference: April 5 & 6 and Oct. 4 & 5
Closes for summer: June 29, (after last session)

MARRIAGES BY APPOINTMENT for those previously endowed: July 11 and July 25. (8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon)
Re-opens: August 6, 1968.

SPECIAL ALL PRIESTHOOD DAY: Sat. Nov. 30 (All stake Assignments)
Closes for year: December 21 (after last session)

SPECIAL HOLIDAY SESSION: December 27, 7:00 a.m. (Endowments and Marriages)

HOLIDAYS: May 30, and November 28 & 29, 1968.
Re-opens: January 7, 1969.

Polynesian Ward

By Kay Makaiwi

Four couples recently married and sealed with their families in the Oakland Temple were Avalua and Marlo Mauia and their children, Totoe, Myra and Bernice; Herman and Karlene Barawis and their daughter, Charlene; William and Manuela Velles —r. and their children, William Jr., Wilhemina, Irene, Carlotta and Anna. Tbout 26 members of the ward were present at the ceremonies.

A first in the Ward, and by indications. not the last was the New Year's Eve testimony get-together Dec. 31. Members met to bear their testimonies at 10:00 p.m. Special music, "Still, Still With Thee" and "The Hallelujah Chorus" were rendered by the ward choir conducted by Kay Makaiwi and accompanied by Merita Fitisemanu. At exactly 12:00 midnight all heads were bowed in prayer as Bishop Wilfred K. Laeha said the vrayer. On the planning committee for this event were YMMIA superintendent Archie Makaiwi and YWMIA 2d counselor Alvina Te'o.

Margaret Davidson was main speaker at Sacrament meeting Dec. 31 bbefore her departure for a mission in Samoa on Jan. 13. She is one of 11 children. Her father is 1st counselor in the bishopric and her mother is 1st counselor in the Relief Society. Margaret is the first sister to be called from the ward. She served as YWMIA secretary before leaving.

There were 214 baptisms peformed at the Oakland Tefple by 10 youths of the ward: Debra Lavatai, Alett Keahi, Kaui Naipo, Leitu Etuale, Carlotta and Irene Belles, Kamakapu and Kaleo Naipo, Isaako Niko, and Eti Ah Loe. This was the first time for five of the youths in doing bbaptism work. Jeremiah Alip, Seminary teacher and Aaronic youth general secretary, directed the activity and was assisted by Herman Barawis, William Velles Jr., Avalua Mauia, Lefiu Iereneo, and Kay Makaiwi.

John and Mildred Makakoa spent an enjoyable Christmas vacation in Hawaii with the dual purpose of pleasure and meeting each other's families for the first time. John is 2d counselor in the San Frencisco Stake mission presidency and Mildred is 2d counselor in the ward's Primary. Upon graduation from San Francisco State University next year, John plans on going into the Foreign Service.

Also enjoying Christmas vacations in Hawaii were William and Maria Kalehua, fondly known as "Ma and Pops" to ward members, and Archie Makaiwi.

Deacons Kamakavu and Kaleo Naipo, Wesley Lavatai, Eldon Kualapai, Isaako Niko, and George Aumua. and teacher Ed Ripley helped cheer the Warriors to victory against the St. LouisHawks at a recent deacon's activity night. Accompanying the boys were Bishop Wilfred K. Laeha; Aaron Makaiwi, 2d counselor in the bishopric; and YMMIA superintendent Archie Makaiwi.

Dec. 22 was the ward's annual Christmas party as Santa Claus, Lefiu Iereneo, highlighted the program with his appearance and handed packaged goodies to all of the children. "The True Spirit of Christmas" was depicted by the Primary; the refreshments were handled by the high priests and seventies, while the Junior Sunday School directed the group singing. Other committees were: decorations and clean-up, Aaronic youth and young ladies; policing of the area, Aaronic adult; packaged goodies, Relief Society. Whitney Te'o, Sunday School superintendent, emceed the program.

Ward changes in the bishopric included the sustaining of Henry Davidson, 1st counselor, and Aaron Makaiwi, 2d counselor. Lauolefiso Faamaligi is the ward clerk and William Velles Jr., assistant clerk. Agnes Utu was released as sustained 1st counselor in the stake Relief Society president having been Relief Society. Clara Alip is the new Relief Society president; Carolina Davidson, 1st counselor; Merita Fitisemanu, 2d counselor; Nora Te'o, secretary-treasurer. Jeremiah Alip is the Taronic youth secretary. Bishop William G. Feagaimaalii is the high priest leader and Falemai Ah Loe, seventies' leader.

Leaving the Ward soon will be Peter Aliason. Pete is assigned duty in Viet Nam. He is a recent convert to the Church, holds the office of a seventy, and is now serving as a stake missionary in San Francisco.

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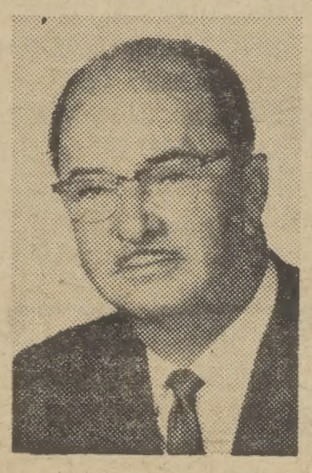

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Concord Stake MIA Changes

By Thora Astle

A chance has been made recently in the Concord Stake M.I.A. board, with Brother Vern Clark made superintendent, and Sister Jean Paquette, president. Their conselors are Y.M.M.I.A. age group counselor, Mark Cutler, Y.M.M.I.A, secretary, Pal and Marsha Greer, dance directors; secretary-Treasurer, Y.W.M.I.A., Stella Johnson; girls program secretary Helen Nelson; Laurel leader, Caroll Walker; and sports Director (girls) Corinne Tveter, The remainder of the board remains as before the change in the presidency.

To kick off the holiday season, on December 11 the Concord Stake M.I.A. Board held a buffet dinner at the Diablo Valley Institute for members of the board and their partners. The evening was delightful, with an excellent dinner, community singing led by Sister Rosalind Crosby, Stae M.I.A. Director, with Sharon Carlson, Stake M.I.A. organist, at the piano, games by Brother and Sister Wilhite, M-Men and Gleaner leaders, and a comic reading concerning the young ladies board given by Carol Tueller, stake manual counselor. Decorations on each table were in festive green and red, centered with white candles.

Sharing in the festivities were board members and partners: Brother and Sister Don Paquette, Brother and Sister Vern Clark, Brother and Sister Mark Cutler, Brother and Sister David Hale, Brother and Sister Stan Peterson, Jr., Brother and Sister LaFarr Astle, Brother and Sister Bill Wilhite, Brother and Sister Paul Greer, Brother and Sister Jim Evans, Bishop and Sister Vern Tueller, Brother and Sister Darrell Westover, Brother and Sister Newell Walker, Brother and Sister Claude Van Vliet, Brother and Sister Harold Miller, Brother and Sister Allan Hyatt ,Brother and Sister Scott Grange, Sisters Helen Nelson, Arilla Jackson, Rosalind Crosby, Sharon Carlson.

Hayward 2d Ward

By Irene Mori

Greeting the public at the grand opening festivities of the new twin cinema theatres in Hayward will be twins Kathy and Gigi Voigt. The girls were chosen as Miss Cinema I and II and help to bring gaity and attractiveness to the lovely theatres.

Nelson Lampe was back in the ward for a visit recently before leaving for Germany. Nelson joined the army soon after graduation from high school and was home for Thanksgiving. He extends his greetings to all ward members.

Back from college for the Christmas holidays are Kelli Anderson, Michele Davis, Donna Estis, and Liz Larsen.

Bishop McCleary spent some time in England this montn in connection with his work. He returned Saturday, Dec. 16. His family and ward members were happy that he was able to return earlier than expected and to be home in time for Christmas.

The ward Christmas party held Friday, Dec. 22, featured a program by the Primary children. It was called "Christmas Around the World." An added attraction for the children was the arrival of Santa Claus.

The ward choir is planning a speial Sacrament meeting program for Christmas Eve. Included on the program will be a song, "A New World Christmas Carol," with original words by Sister Amy Bruerton. Ward members are encouraged to return home after Sacrament meeting to spend Christmas Eve with their families as outlned in the Family Home Evening manual.

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San Lorenzo 2d Ward

By Elva Jacobsen

Duty to God awards were recently awarded to Peter Easton, Mark Tillotson, Bernard Tillotson and Alan Wheeler.

Young men who recently became Eagle Scouts are Michael Danielson, Joseph Anderson, and Michael Carlson.

Ivan R. Jacobsen and his wife Barbara R. (formerly McLain) were killed instantly, coming from the Oakland Temple. A wrong-way driver on MacArthur Freeway in Oakland struck the Jacobsen car head-on. Ivan and Barbara were formerly members of San Lorenzo 2d Ward. Ivan's parents, Vern and Elva, are members of the Ward.

Ward M.I.A. members have been faithful in helping patients of the Rehabilitation Hospital in Hayward, taking them on picnics, to the zoo, going as helpers with them to the Ice Follies, and putting on a musical.

A farewell open house was held Nov. 18 at the home of Dean and Ilda Starr to honor their son Michael assigned to the Florida Mission.

Peggy (Margaret) McGhee, President of YWMIA recently had a serious operation.

Baby Tina Te'o was named and blessed by Bishop Hill.

Craig Romer spoke upon return of his foreign mission.

Ireta Wheeler was released as President of Relief Society, and Shirley Carlson was sustained as new president.

Bruce Josslin was released as president of 5th Quorum of Elders, and Maurice Smith sustained as new president.

Harold Inman is the new president of YMMIA, and Harold Cameron released.

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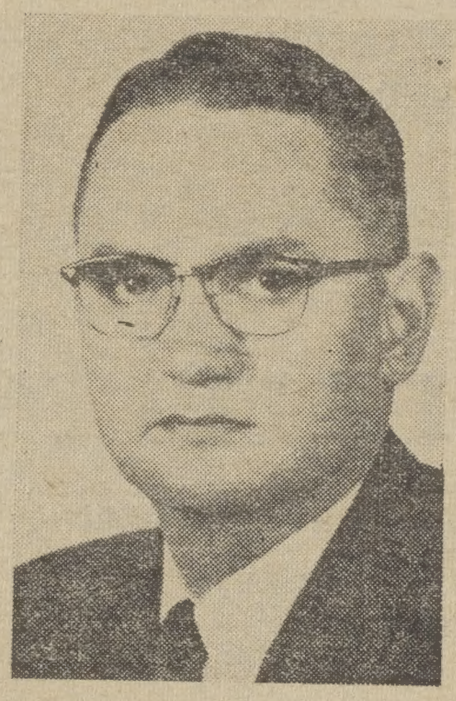

Fremont Ward

By Dorothy A. Spoon

SPORTS—They did it again: The girls' junir basketball team won the regional championship again this year. They have taken all the sports championship awards but volley ball, and they came in second there. Womens' sports director is Lois Sanderson for the junior women. Sue Stacy is director for the senior womens' team. The girls' junior basketball 1967 regional champions are:

Sandy Sanderson, Linda McMillan, Ann Christiansen, Eunice Hughes, Marlene Hughes, Connie Young. Cathy Natali, Patti Slattengren, Jolene Moore, Rose Marie Winkel, Laurie Lincoln, Marva Hughes and Kathy Richardson.

Fremont Ward Christmas party held Tuesday Dec. 19 was under the sponsorship of the Primary Auxiliery directed by Lola Payne and Primary president Joan Reed. Toyland came to life as Mrs. Santa Claus (Sherill Mason) inspected the clowns, dancing dolls, brownies, cowboys, toy soldiers, etc. All the little elves were there to help Mrs. Santa Claus line up all the toys, after which Mrs. Santa Claus related the story of the birth of the Savior with a live picture post card Nativity scene then the sound of sleigh bells was heard and Santa came down the lane and had treats for all the little chidren.

A Court of Honor was held Nov. 21, under direction of Ivan Moore. Many parents attended, as well as Fremont Ward bishopric, Brother Reno Natali and Bill Stacy from the Boy Scout office were also there. Honors were received by:

EARL McOMBER — Instructor merit badge, Assistant Patrol Leader badge, Axmanship merit badge, 100 per cent attendance award, 2 year pin, and Senior Patrol pin.

REID JACKMAN — Life award, Indian Lore merit badge, Cooking merit badge, and Pioneering merit badge.

RON PIMENTEL — 2nd Class award.

RON NATALI — Nature merit badge, Safety merit badge, Home repairs badge, Fishing merit badge, and Citizenship in the community.

RANDY HUNT — Swiming merit badge.

GARY REED — 1st Class award.

CRAIG McMILLAN — 2nd Class award.

Bishop Sanderson presented their Annual Awards Sunday, Nov. 26, to:

FIRST YEAR — Gail Boucha, Judy Green, Diane Jeppson, Sheri Nelson, and Dianna Sorenson.

SECOND YEAR — Kathy Beck, Michele Estes, Marva Hughes, Colleen Reed, Denise Slattengren, Linda Gappmayer, and Jeraldine Jepsen.

THIRD YEAR — Debbie Jonutz, Laura Lincoln, Carolyn Reed, Linda McMillan, Rose Marie Winkel, Candace Shorey, Ann Christiansen, and Connie Young.

FOURTH YEAR — Eunice Hughes, Cathy Natali, Kathy Richardson, Cheryl Slattengren, and Shauna Jepsen.

FIFTH YEAR — Marlene Hughes, Jolene Moore, Sandra Sanderson, Jodi Steadman, Christine Williams, and Nancy Winkel.

LEADERS AWARD — Florence Bean, Hanne Halladay, Sylbia Hansen, Janiece McBride, Lois Sanderson, and Carol Wakley.

Out of 49 girls in YWMIA these 31 girls were eligible for individual awards. Sisters Sylvia Hansen and Hanne Halladay gave a resume of the YWMIA program and what it has to offer.

San Francisco Ward

By Gloria Stracke

With the moving of the BAILEY NEFF family from San Francisco Ward, a new Sunday School superintendency was called, MICHAEL FLYNN and counselors TOM WOOD and BENGT JONSSON. Mike is a senior dental student. Tom was converted to the church in 1959 when his mother-in law LYDIA BELL was miraculously healed through administration by the Elders. Bengt, from Sweden, also is studying dentistry.

Rectntly sustained as Guide Patrol leaders are ROGER anl BETTY GRABLE. Roger joined the church a year ago; he and Betty were married in the Los Angeles Temple during the recent holidays.

JOHN and LAVERNE ALLRED became the parents of a baby girl HOLLYE LYNN.

IRA and ROSE MARIE GAGON joined the parent parade when little JENNIFER RUTH made her recent appearance. Artist Ira will soon have a showing of his photographs, sculpture and other art work at the Devers Gallery.

KIM STRACKE was presented the coveted DUTY TO GOD award.

Pine trees and branches from San Francisco Stake farm made our church building festive and fragrant over the holidays. Our ward program featured Christmas Around the World. Twenty-four Primary youngsters in green formed a Christmas tree wearing ornaments on their heads as they sang "O Christmas Tree." CLAUDIA LARSEN danced a fairy ballet under "black" light; DEBBIE HANSON and HELEN OLSON's Parade of the Wooden Solniers dance was also a "black" light number. Others on the program were CLAYNE and VIVIEN ROBISON, GLORIA BALLESTRAZZE, RICK KIMBALL. FRANCES KING and her Gaynote girls did a novelty "Drummer Boy" number with TOM JONES on the drums.

Sister Samaii really put into practice "Every Member a Missionary" when she introduced the Gospel to her Iranian neighbor, Kamyar, who became her husband. Also Iran where he was stationed for to years, Brother Nay and his active family have moved into our ward.

Michael Marquardt has returned from the service, more recently from Germany. Michael is a real student of the scriptures, has many color slides of various church sites about which he can narrate interestingly. Should there be anyone interested, Michael enjoys sharing his time and talent 211-6790.

Capt. John Jennings, currently our stake Sunday School superintendent, has been assigned to Viet Nam. John and his lovely bride Suzanne have been an outstanding young couple in the awrd. All join Suzanne in her prayers for his safe and early return.

Gary Jaynes returned from active duty in the army in the European theater afetr three years. Aftr a short time home, he was called to the British Mission for two years..

Blair Jaynes was married in the Oakland Temple by President Wright Sept 2d, to Karren Archibald. They are making their home in the ConcordWard where they are dance directors for Mutual and both are Sunday School teachers.

Don C. Brown, Southern California businessman and president of San Fernando Stake of the LDS Church, has been appointment regional development director for Brigham Young University, it was announced today by President Ernest L. Wilkinson and Raymond . Beckham director of development for BYU.

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Seminary Head At BYU Meeting

Clarence L. Fields, coordinator of Seminaries of the bay district, just returned from a three-day coordinators convention held on the campus of Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah, where the central office is housed.

As chairman of a committee on administrative procedures Brother Fields participated in a presentation to the group.

Fields coordinates activities of 95 nonealsed-time Seminaries with an enrollment of 1780 students. He lives at 4716 Hamlet Drive, Concord.

Coordinators, together with the administrative staff of the department, direct the religious instruction of 111,000 high school students in Seminary classes and 33,000 college students in Institutes of Religion or Deseret Clubs in 48 states, including Alaska and Hawaii, and nine foreign countries.

Naomi Baumann with her daughter Jean and friend Alvina Mairs have returned from vacationing at Yellowtone and the Grand Tetons. Naomi (granddaughter of Parley P. Pratt) has a busy family. Her oldest, Sheri, saw fruieition of her loving efforts when she and her husband Dick Zingmark were married in the Temple and had their 3 daugters sealed to them. Nick Baumann has been on a tourist visa of Europe and the Near East for a year, working his way from one country to another (i.e. working on a chicken ranch on the Gaza Strp just before the recent Israel-Arab conflict). Jeannie, now 15, has been literally dancing off with awards as she has participated in recent Irish Feis where she received certificate of excellence for her Irish step-daning. Naomi's husband Carl Baumann is well Known in Bay Area art circles. Many of his paintings hang in various Fracisco homes. Carl is busy with his 32 aquaria of rare and tropical fish.

Joyelyn Silver was feted at a bridal shower given by Sister Dorisse Coats at her home in Castro Valley. July 5. Many of Joyelyn's wished her well and showered her with gifts. The refrshmest table was decorated in white and orange. The piece de resistance was "Here Comes The Brid Cake" baked by Sister Coats.

Joyelyn will become the bride of Neil Mihlfeith in the Oakland Temple in September.

San Leandro 2d Ward

By Ruby Ostler

HAPPY NEW YEAR every one from all of us in San Leandro 2d Ward; 1967 has flown away, leaving behind memories, some good, some sad. We have had the short companionship of some delightful people such as the Materns and the Driggs who were here for the summer and in their short stay with us gained the love of everyone. also the Bob Williams, whose golden voice thrilled us on many occasions, and who was called to Viet Nam in the armed forces while his wife and baby stay with her folks in San Diego.

In the last few month we have been saddened by the loss of some of our dear friends, Ivan an Barbara Jacobson who were killed in a tragic accident on the freeway returning from the Temple, and sudden death of Brother Thomas Phillips, a faithful member of our ward since

We are happy to have the Lomoine Bohanan family back with us again after a short sojourn in Arizona. its inception.

The William Kohles delighted everyone in the ward when they presented two beautiful twin girls who are so identical its impossibble to tell them apart. They were named and given a fathers blessing on Fast day of last month. They were given the names of Karen and Renee.

The Christmas Season brought with it the usual festivities in our ward, a party an program for the whole family on Wednesday before Christmas and a special Sacrment service on Christmas eve. The M-men nd Gleaners were kept busy with all their holiday activities in the stake. caroling on Lake Merritt, dining and dancing and partying.

Clothing Fires Are Out Of Fashion

The American Medical Association has for many years annually warned of the dangers inherent in flammable fabrics. There are many injuries and not a few deaths every year—mostly in the winter—from clothing fires.

This winter something new has been added to this danger—paper clothing.

Paper clothing—mostly women's dresses—is so new that as yet there are few data on the potential burn dangers.

A top government safety official warned recently that people who wear paper clothing risk burning themselves if they wear it near an open flame after it has been laundered, dry-cleaned, or worn in a soaking rain.

The *Journal of the American Medical Association* reports that approximately 2 million persons annually are burned severely enough to require medical attention, and that 100,000 of these require hospital care. About 2,000 Americans die of burns each year. Far too many of these burn victims are injured when their clothing catches fire.

Whether the garment is paper or cloth, it might ignite if the wearer gets too close to an open flame. It's a temptation to huddle close to a stove or fireplace on a cold morning. It also can be fatal.

Simple firescreens or protective shields can eliminate some of the danger from open flames. Check your home today for such potential hazards. If you find one, correct it promptly.

Using kerosene or a commercial "fire starter" for the fireplace or barbecue grill also has potential hazards. If there are hot coals in the fireplace or grill, the volatile liquid may flare up or explode, especially in a closed room.

Little girls' dresses with flimsy, flaring skirts are obviously a fire hazard. So are flowing robes and night gowns. Small boys in their blue jeans are much safer. But even jeans will flame up if ignited.

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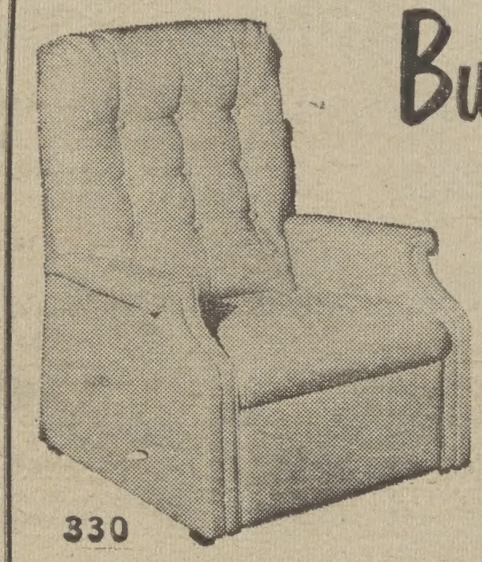
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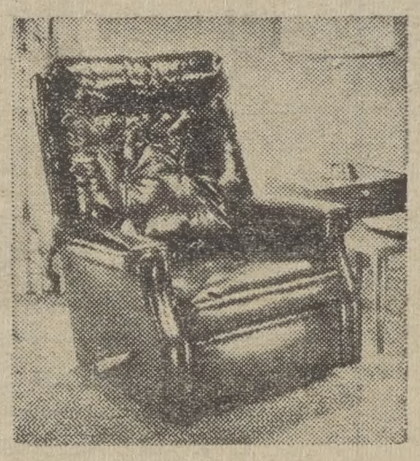

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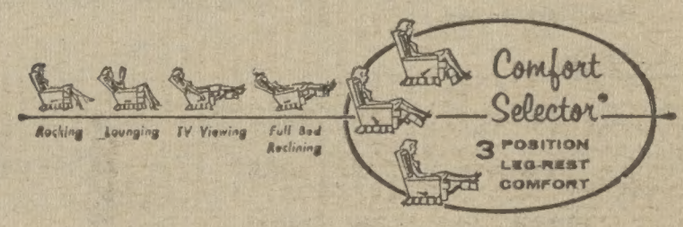

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